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Subject: Re: Verification/Completeness Check for NEL Reports (Micro) Week 1 Posted Feb 27

Kelley and Ex. 4 - CBI

The report on the Dimock Verification/Completeness Check for the NEL Reports (Micro) Week 1 Posted Feb 27 was reviewed and below is the response for your consideration.

NEL Reports Full Micro data package wk1_batch1 (parts 1 & 2)

1. The laboratory reported a heterotrophic plate count (HPC) value of <1 CFU/mL for FB02. Their raw data shows a secondary plate count of 3 CFU/mL. The data for HW04 was not qualified; however, the auditor noted that the sample may be field contaminated. Based on the results of this field blank, data are not affected.

Response: The statement: "The data for HW04 was not qualified" needs clarification. According to Table 1 submitted in the validation report, HW04 was qualified as "R(2.5)." The lab can not choose which of the duplicate plates to report or which to ignore. The method calls for reporting an average of the two plates. Further discussion may be warranted.

You may contact Dave Russell directly to discuss this issue and then send a follow-up email on the decision(s). Dave can be reached at 410-305-2656.

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